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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** All AAA Directors      **NOTICE #:** 041603-1-T-SWCBS

**FROM:** Terry White  
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**SUBJECT:** Notice of Transmittal: Grants Available for Dementia Day Program

The Brookdale Foundation Group has issued a Request For Proposals (RFP) for the start-up of social model group respite programs for people with Alzheimer's disease and their family caregivers. In November 2003, The Foundation will be awarding up to fifteen seed grants of \$7,500 for new, dementia-specific group respite programs. New grantees will receive \$7,500 in year one which is renewable at \$3,000 in year two.

Any 501 (c)(3) or equivalent not-for-profit health or social service agency wishing to develop a social model day program for Alzheimer's families is invited to apply. Grantees are required to attend a three-day training conference in Secaucus, New Jersey in November 2003 and will receive intensive technical assistance in developing their respite programs.

Applications should be based on *How to Start and Manage a Group Activities and Respite Program for People with Alzheimer's and Their Families*, a manual for community-based organizations available free of charge from The Brookdale Foundation. Proposals are due at The Brookdale Foundation offices in New York by Thursday, July 10, 2003. Award announcements will be made in September.

If you are interested in obtaining a copy of the RFP for the 2003 Brookdale National Group Respite Program grant initiative, please contact:

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